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MEDIA

Press release issued today: U.S. EPA honors San Francisco Bay Area firm Hybrid Coating Technologies with Green Chemistry Award. Soledad Calvino.

LA Weekly: Reporter Hillel Arron was looking for information regarding crumb rubber. Called reporter and gave him contact information at the state. CLOSED. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

Riverside Press Enterprise: Reporter Amy Bentley was looking for information on regulations surround rolling coal. Spoke to reporter who receive information from CARB and no further action was needed. ARI. CLOSED. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

KUNM: Reporter Ed Williams is spoke to Clancy for a feature story on the cleanup work at Church Rock and Navajo Nation. Story to air later this week. Reporter had follow up question on radioactivity at site. Referred to Region 6. CLOSED. SFUND. Nahal Mogharabi.

LA Daily Journal: Reached out to reporter Fiona Smith to get information about LA Daily News structure for possible future HQ visit. OPEN. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

VICE News: Associate Producer Neha Shastry inquired about a possible visit to one of the mines located on the Navajo Nation where EPA is doing uranium cleanup. She is doing a story about uranium clean up and the new 5 year plan. May decline. Checking in with Jared. OPEN. SFUND. Nahal Mogharabi.

WEB

Social Media:

Federal Green Challenge Award Winner – Posted to our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages Federal News Radio's story, [Zoe Heller: DEA Lab Recycles 8,200 Pounds of Electronics](#) about the Drug Enforcement Administration Western Lab's recycling accomplishments, for which they won a Federal Green Challenge award.

Water Use – At the request of headquarters, posted to our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages on Friday about July being Smart Irrigation Month and linked to our [Tips for Watering Wisely](#) page.

Web Updates:

Federal Green Challenge – Posted information and registration link for new Webinar to the [Federal Green Challenge website](#).

Regional Tribal Operations Committee (RTOC) – Posted the new RTOC meeting draft agenda and webinar link to our [RTOC Meetings](#) page.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Congressional Outreach on Green Chemistry Award: Brent Maier shared today's press release with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and Rep. Jackie Speier regarding EPA recognizing Hybrid Coating Technologies of Daly City, Calif. with a Presidential Green Chemistry Award for developing a safer, plant-based polyurethane for use on floors, furniture and in foam insulation. The company is among six organizations nationwide honored for developing safer chemical products.

Congressional Outreach on Pemaco Superfund Site: Brent Maier shared a fact sheet announcing an upcoming community meeting on August 12, 2015 in Maywood for the Pemaco Superfund Site with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard.

Congressional Outreach on Anaconda Mine Site Community Meeting: Brent Maier shared an EPA postcard announcing an upcoming community meeting on August 6th in Yerington, NV for the Anaconda Mine Site. At the community's request, the meeting will focus on groundwater, also known as Operable Unit 1. Groundwater experts from EPA will be available at the meeting, as well as members of the EPA and NDEP site team. The Community Meeting will be held at the Yerington Elementary School located at 112 N California St, Yerington, NV 89447

Region IX PEYA Winners to Visit Capitol Hill: Brent Maier has worked with Jorine Campopiano and the students from Mount Madonna School who are the FY2014 Region IX winners of President's Environmental Youth Award (PEYA) to arrange meetings with Congressman Sam Farr and Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein. The students will be meeting with Congressman Sam Farr on Wednesday, July 15th and will have a photo opportunity with Senator Barbara Boxer at 12:00pm on the same day. The students will also be participating in a breakfast hosted by Senator Dianne Feinstein's office. The students and their families are in Washington, DC for a number of events including a White House awards ceremony.

Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District: A follow-up conference call with Greg Morrison, Legislative Affairs Director, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District is scheduled for Wednesday, July 15th. EPA will discuss with the officials potential assistance under WIFIA for a proposed district project.

Legislation Update:

S. 1724 – Last week, U.S. Senators Dean Heller (R-NV), Harry Reid (D-NV), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), and Barbara Boxer (D-CA) introduced the **Lake Tahoe Restoration Act of 2015** (S. 1724). The bipartisan legislation was crafted to protect the Lake Tahoe Region by improving water clarity, reducing wildfire threat, jumpstarting innovative transportation and infrastructure projects, and combating invasive species.
<http://www.heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/2015/7/nevada-california-senators-introduce-lake-tahoe-restoration-act>

H.R. 2898 - House Republicans will likely approve this week yet another controversial drought relief measure for parched California, but the bill's chance of becoming law rests almost entirely with Sen. Dianne Feinstein. The measure would loosen environmental restrictions on how much water can be pumped from the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Valley Delta to parched agricultural communities in the Central Valley and municipalities farther south. The House Rules Committee is scheduled to set the terms of floor debate on the measure tomorrow afternoon.

This Week on Capitol Hill:

Tuesday, July 14, 2015 - Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee: Hearing to receive testimony on islanded energy systems: energy and infrastructure challenges and opportunities in Alaska, Hawaii and the U.S. Territories. 366 Dirksen Senate Office Building 10:00am (ET) Witnesses include: The Honorable Esther P. Kia'aina, Assistant Secretary for Insular Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior; The Honorable Robert Underwood, President, University of Guam, Former Guam Delegate, U.S. House of Representatives; Mr. Mark B. Glick, Administrator, Hawaii State Energy Office; Mr. Hugo V. Hodge Jr., Executive Director (CEO), Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority; and Mr. Meera Kohler, President and CEO,

Alaska Village Electric Cooperative. Sen. Mazie Hirono (D-Hawaii) is expected to address energy issues in her state. Hirono and Sen. Brian Schatz (D-Hawaii) have been vocal supporters of renewable energy development.

<http://www.energy.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/2015/7/hearing-on>

Tuesday, July 14, 2015 – House Natural Resources Committee: Subcommittee on Federal Lands Legislative Hearing on H.R. 2270, Discussion Draft H.R. ____ . Legislative Hearing on: Discussion draft of H.R. ____ (Rep. Tom McClintock), To amend the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act to enhance recreational opportunities, environmental restoration activities, and forest management activities in the Lake Tahoe Basin, and for other purposes. “Lake Tahoe Restoration Act of 2015”. Tuesday, July 14, 2015 10:30am (ET). 1334 Longworth House Office Building. Witnesses: Michael D. Brown, Fire Chief, North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, Incline Village, Nevada; and Leslie Weldon, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service, Washington, D.C.

<http://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=398943>

Tuesday, July 14, 2015 - House Natural Resource Committee: The Energy and Mineral Resources Subcommittee is holding a [July 14th hearing](#) on the role of safe seismic surveying in undersea drilling operations on the Outer Continental Shelf. Offshore fracking has been a major issue in California, with EPA Region 9 issuing [first-time requirements](#) for drillers in southern California to maintain an inventory reporting the chemical constituents of hydraulic fracturing fluids used in their operations, citing the agency's concerns about the potential adverse water quality impacts of the substances. Witnesses: Dr. Robert “Bob” Gisiner, Director of Marine Environment - Science and Biology, International Association of Geophysical Contractors,

Houston, Texas; Jim White, President, ARKeX Inc., Houston, TX; Richie Miller, President, Spectrum Geo, Inc., Houston, TX; Abigail Ross Hopper, Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C.; and Douglas P. Nowacek, Ph.D., Repass-Rodgers Chair of Marine Conservation Technology, Nicholas School of the Environment & Pratt School of Engineering, Duke University, Beaufort, NC. 10:00am (ET). 1324 Longworth House Office Building.

<http://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=398949>

Tuesday, July 14, 2015 – House Energy and Commerce Committee: The Subcommittee on Energy and Power will examine pipeline safety and whether the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) has progressed, or not, in implementing reforms established under the Pipeline Safety Act of 2011. Seventeen of 42 congressional mandates required under the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011 remain incomplete well beyond specified deadlines. In light of recent events, the committee seeks to reexamine PHMSA's implementation of the reforms congress enacted. Witnesses: Stacy Cummings, interim executive director of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; Stan Wise, a member of the Georgia Public Service Commission on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; Donald Santa, president and CEO of the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America; Ron Bradley, vice president of gas operations at PECO Energy, on behalf of the American Gas Association; Andrew Black, president and CEO of the Association of Oil Pipe Lines; Carl Weimer, executive director of the Pipeline Safety Trust; and Dianne Black, assistant director of planning and development for the county of Santa Barbara, Calif. 10:15am (ET). 2123 Rayburn House Office Building.

<http://energycommerce.house.gov/press-release/look-ahead-committee-announces-hearing-schedule-week-july-13>

Wednesday, July 15, 2015 - House Judiciary Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law: Will hold hearing delving into the operations of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs. OIRA, based in the Office of Management and Budget, reviews regulations and rules issued by agencies across the federal government. The office is essentially the last stop for rules before the government finalizes them. OIRA's staff is often heavily lobbied by outside interests, especially when controversial regulations come under its review, such as U.S. EPA's rule to cut power plants' carbon emissions. The House Judiciary Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law hearing is Wednesday, July 15, at 3 p.m. in 2141 Rayburn. Witnesses: OIRA Administrator Howard Shelanski; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, president of the American Action Forum; Karen Harned, executive director of National Federation of Independent Business' Small Business Legal Center; Richard Williams, director of regulatory studies program, Mercatus Center; and Noah Sachs, director of Merhige Center for Environmental Studies. <http://judiciary.house.gov/index.cfm/hearings?ID=415A962D-F08B-4070-AF8C-692846736B0A>

Wednesday, July 15, 2015 - House Natural Resource Committee: The Energy and Mineral Resources Subcommittee is holding a [July 15th hearing](#) on "The Future of Hydraulic Fracturing on Federally Managed Lands," which is likely to focus on the Bureau of Land Management's

(BLM) contentious rule governing fracking on public land. Witnesses: Mr. Tom Fitzsimmons, Commissioner, Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Cody, WY; Mr. Lloyd Hetrick, Operations Engineering Advisor, Newfield Exploration Co., The Woodlands, TX; Honorable Neil Kornze, Director, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, DC; Honorable James M. "Mike" Olguin, Council Member, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, Ignacio, CO; and Ms. Hannah Wiseman, Attorneys' Title Professor, Florida State University College of Law, Tallahassee, FL. 10:00am (ET). 1324 Longworth House Office Building

<http://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=398963>

Thursday, July 16, 2015 - Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management: Will hold hearing delving into the operations of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs. OIRA, based in the Office of Management and Budget, reviews regulations and rules issued by agencies across the federal government. The office is essentially the last stop for rules before the government finalizes them. OIRA's staff is often heavily lobbied by outside interests, especially when controversial regulations come under its review, such as U.S. EPA's rule to cut power plants' carbon emissions. The hearing is Thursday, July 16th, at 2:00 pm (ET) in 342 Dirksen Senate Office Building. Witness: OIRA Administrator Howard Shelanski.

<http://www.hsgac.senate.gov/subcommittees/rafm/hearings/reviewing-the-office-of-information-and-regulatory-affairss-role-in-the-regulatory-process>